GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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LNG TERMINALS
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any proposal for creating LNG terminals;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon; and

(c) the time by which new terminals are likely to be operational?

Answer

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS & PANCHAYATI RAJ (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR)

(a) to (c): In the deregulated scenario, LNG terminals are likely to come up at different locations in the country on commercial considerations. At present, there are two LNG terminals in the country, viz., LNG terminal of Petronet LNG Limited (PLL) of 5 MMTPA capacity at Dahej and LNG terminal of Shell of 2.5 MMTPA capacity at Hazira. PLL propose to expand the capacity of their Dahej terminal to 10 MMTPA by 2008 and to set up a greenfield terminal at Kochi of 5 MMTPA capacity by 2009. Dabhol LNG terminal of 5 MMTPA capacity is expected to be completed by the fourth quarter of 2006. In addition, two more terminals, one at Mangalore and the other at Ennore, are at the planning stage.